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LIKE WILD, MAN!... You're right. That's exactly who they are. The Wilder Brothers, even wilder than ever and you've only got a couple more weeks to catch these way-out cats. They are, left to right, Warner, Walt, Allen and Verne, who appear nightly at The Galley West at Marineland, along with songbird Linda Wright (who CERTAINLY can't be a Wilder brother) and Dick Shepp. Go get 'em!

Spot Checking

Food ★ Fun ★ Frolic
By Bill Whitman

It's Valentine Time Again

Put with Valentine's Day hitting right smack dab in the middle of publications it's a bit difficult to get 'em thinking along the lines of special parties for that auspicious occasion for friends and lovers but we can try.

One we're sure of anyway (and ONLY one) right off hand is of the **Philippone's Restaurant** party this coming Saturday night. It's to be a sweetheart party and dinner and dance with gifts for the ladies (so be ladies, ladies!) and is on a reservations basis. You really should make that scene come 8 p.m. Feb. 12 and have a ball.

Oh there's sure to be more such shin-digs going on around the area but at the moment we've not got the scam. However, keep in mind that there's always some action at the **Barbary Coast Room** in the **Mariner Hotel**. "The Sylvia Morrow Show" is down there nightly for dancing and entertainment plus superb dining. You might also keep in mind the excellent luncheon program the **Barbary Coast** is now presenting from 11 in the a.m. 'til two p.m. It includes a fashion show and is becoming quite popular.

You French cuisine lovers have a day time treat in store for you beginning the 15th of this month. The truly French restaurant, **Pigalle**, will start opening from 11:30 a.m. on that day, Monday thru Friday, for your luncheon pleasure. Then there's still another event awaiting you down there in the Hollywood Riviera section of the city. They're introducing this week authentic accordion music each Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nites and with an extra added attraction of the late supper, featuring fancy foods 'til one o'clock in the morning. So if you haven't yet tried **Pigalle**, make it a point to get acquainted with something a little different in the way of dining-out.

Dropped into the **Lucky Lady** one afternoon last week and had a talk with owner operator **Wade Austin**. Now here's something that could and should be an entertaining afternoon or evening. The **Lucky Lady** has lots of charm and gallons of good beer, plus a wonderful room for brushing up on your cushion shots. It carries the plushy atmosphere without the pushy prices and lends itself handsily to a comfortable and relaxing few hours "on the green."

Nothing rowdy—just good clean fun among some fine people. Even ran into **Millie Riera's** nite bartender, **Ken Decker** down there one afternoon and asked him about that alleged "tonsiectomy" he underwent recently and y'know what? He copped out to the whole bit! Hm-m-m, things weren't bad enough along the beat and now this!

A new dinner favorite that was introduced as a weekend specialty, but which has now emerged as a nightly favorite at **Smith Bros. Indian Village Restaurant** in Torrance, is the excitingly different "5 Nations Fish Kabob." This elegantly prepared dish consists of a variety of oceanfare, artfully marinated and served brochette style. Fanatics of shellfish will be happy to learn that the **Indian Village** is now serving **Eastern Blue-point Oysters** and **Cheerystone Clams** from **Chesapeake Bay**.

Another popular item and equally mouth-watering is **Steamed Little Neck Clams**, served on both the luncheon and dinner menu, expertly cooked and served with drawn butter and lemon.

By way of a quick change of pace although in the same

general area is one of the finest in Italian restaurants. It's **Stellino's** at 2739 Pacific Coast Highway in Torrance. The decor is exceeded only by the menu of this beautifully appointed dinery with pasta, veal and seafood specialties heading the ample menu.

And of course you may get the regular orders as well such as **filet mignon**, **New York**, or **top sirloin** and all sensibly priced on the dinner menu.

Frank and Tina Stellino have gone all out to present to you one of the finest eating houses in the South Bay area, specializing, just naturally in the choice foods of Italy and enhancing each item with the correct wine of your choice, either domestic or imported. And as **Frank** says, "A meal without wine is like a day without sunshine."

We've hit upon **American French**, and Italian fare so why not take a flyer also at an Oriental menu and visit **Louie's Garden** at 1841 Pacific Coast Hwy. Here too, you may have **Food American** if you so desire, ranging all the way in price from \$1.75 to \$3.50.

And if you're going the **Cantonese** route you can even get under that price with a \$3.25 per person order (for two or more) which will include **fried shrimp**, **paper beef**, **BBQ'd spareribs**, **lob-**

ster **Cantonese**, **cashew chicken**, **fried rice**, **almond duck**, **tea** and **cookies**. Quite a sizeable offering, we'd say. Especially for the price. **Louie's** is open 7 days a week and serves family style. In fact, they urge you to bring the youngsters as it is more or less of a family type restaurant. So bring the kiddies and fill 'em up!

Well here now, why not go all the way and include some excellent **Sonora style Mexican** food with which to tempt your taste buds.

It's the **Red Onion** up on the hill in **Peninsula Center** where service is available Tuesday through Sunday at ridiculously low cost. Entertainment is featured Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nites in the authentic **Cantina Room**, where one of the big features is the **giant cocktail hour** daily from two 'til seven.

The entire "store" is a gay and colorful adventure into the true "old Mexico" with all the proper hangings and props necessary to make it the authentic room you'll find at the **Red Onion**.

Now just up the street from there is **Speer's Tack Room** on **Silver Spur** that's open Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. starting with the luncheon bit.

The "Round-up Time" cocktail hour runs four 'til six when all regular drinks go for a half a dollar and then it's dinner time. And where can you get a fine steak dinner for \$2.10! (That's not a question!)

The **Don Holmes Trio** entertain each Friday and Saturday nite. Here it's the "horsey" set, carrying out the western motif in both decor as well as garb. A horse is not, however, an absolute necessity for transportation at the **Tack Room**, though in the event you do arrive on one, please leave him outside. Special request by the **Speers**.

It's not **Manny, Moe**, and **Max** at **The Village Inn** but **Donny, Danny** and **Manny** who carry out the duties of mixmasters for your quaffing pleasures down there on **Ave. I** in **Redondo Beach**.

The fourth member of this "mix-up" crew is **Mel** who vies with his charming wife **Bobby** in the dispensing of service. **Bobby** furnishes the service (or a part thereof) on the floor for your dining desires.

Remember, that's an all-American menu down there now. You know, **chops**, **steaks**, **ribs**, **seafood**, etc. So drop by one day soon for luncheon or dinner.

Just ran into another Valentine's Day whing-ding and this'll be a swinger, too. It's an **Hawaiian Valentine Party!** **Sam Falla** down at the **San Franciscan** on **Sepulveda** at **Crenshaw** has brought back those ever-popular cats, **The Leewards**, for an unlimited engagement simply because so many of the regulars have asked for the trio. They opened last Tuesday (that's like yesterday in case your calendar's wrong) so by the time Valentine's Day rolls around next Monday they should have all their "sweetheart" type tunes all smoothed-out for some **Hawaiian-Rock** dance tunes. There'll be leis and favors plus a bunch of fun so make it by **Sam Falla's** spot.

Auditions For 'Rose Tattoo' Set

Readings for Tennessee Williams' "Rose Tattoo," to be presented by Chapel Theatre April 15 through May 14, will be held next Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday at 7:30.

The readings will be held at Chapel Theatre, 4164 W. Pacific Coast Hwy.

Lou Bruhne of **Hermosa Beach** will direct the production, which features roles for five women, two men, a boy of about 20, and a girl of 17.

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